INFORMATION REGARDING APPLYING FOR NINTH CIRCUIT LAWYER REPRESENTATIVE

The Northern District of California is seeking federal practitioners interested in bench and bar activities to apply to serve as Ninth Circuit Lawyer Representatives. Six Lawyer Representatives will be appointed in the Northern District this year, each to serve three-year terms. Applications are due by **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2009**.

Lawyer Representatives help plan the annual Northern District Judicial Conference and attend the annual Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. Serving as a Lawyer Representative provides a unique opportunity to meet and interact on an informal basis with judges and lawyers at the district and circuit levels. It also allows Lawyer Representatives to draw on their experience as federal practitioners to assist in improving the administration of justice.

An Order of the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council spells out five criteria for selection:

- (1) A lawyer admitted to practice in the district court and actively involved in federal practice;
- (2) A lawyer interested in the purposes and work of the annual conference;
- (3) A lawyer willing and able to contribute actively to the purposes and work of the annual conference;
- (4) A lawyer willing to assist in implementing conference programs with the local bar; and
- (5) A lawyer who, together with others selected, will constitute a fair cross-section of practitioners before the federal courts of the district.

An application is attached. Please email these questions, your responses and your resume to Krystal Bowen (<u>Krystal.Bowen@bingham.com</u>) and Andrew Cheng (<u>andrew.cheng@usdoj.gov</u>). If you cannot email the material, you may fax it to Ms. Bowen at (415) 393-2286.